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Applicant:

Steiner et al.

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Group No.: 3641

Serial No.:

10/642,715

Examiner: J. Richardson

Filed:

August 18, 2003

For:

**BRANCH AMPLIFIER CARD** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

### **TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is:

Amendment (8 pgs.), in response to Office Action dated March 2, 2004, along with One (1) Replacement Sheet of Formal Drawings Amendment Transmittal Form (3 pgs.), in duplicate Return Post Card

### **STATUS**

2. Applicant

claims small entity status.

is other than a small entity.

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I hereby certify that the documents listed above are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450,

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## **EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.								
	1.150 appi	(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)						
	(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)							
Extension for response within:  first month			Other than small entity Fee \$ 110.00	Small entity Fee (if applicable) \$ 55.00				
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		second month	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00				
		third month	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00				
		fourth month	\$1,480.00	\$ 740.00				
		fifth month	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00				
		• •	Fee Due	\$				
If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.  (Check and complete the next item, if applicable)								
An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.								
Extension fee due with this request \$								
	OR							
	(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, the conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extra of time.							

## **FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL. RATE FEE	OR	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	
TOTAL		MINUS		=	x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$	
INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$43 = \$		x \$86 = \$	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$145 = \$		+ \$290 = \$		
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$			

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	(a) No additional fee for Claims is required									
			OR							
	(b)	(b) Total additional fee for claims required \$								
	FEE PAYMENT									
5.	Attached is a check in the sum of \$									
	Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$  A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.									
FEE DEFICIENCY										
5.	If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.									
	AND/OR									
	If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.									
7.		Other:						_		
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## **AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action dated March 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.